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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 5, 18 and 31-33 as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A method for searching for information accessible through a client/server network containing a plurality of servers, comprising the steps of:

 connecting to one of the plurality of servers;
 receiving a graphical map of a geographic area from the server;
 displaying the graphical map on a display device;
 entering search criteria, including position information, for locating at least one hypertext document, wherein said hypertext document includes a geographic position information in a metatag, wherein said geographic position information relates to a business/residence address or server location; and
 receiving a search result indicating the hypertext document located in accordance with the search criteria.

2. (Original) The method according to Claim 1, further

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comprising the steps of:

selecting the hypertext document included in the search result; and

downloading information relating to the selected hypertext document.

3. (Original) The method according to Claim 2, wherein the hypertext document is a world wide web page and the computer network is the Internet.

4. (Original) The method according to Claim 3, wherein the method is performed as an aspect of executing a program for browsing the world wide web.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 4, wherein the hypertext document includes said geographic position information.

6. (Original) The method according to Claim 5, wherein the hypertext document has a name based upon the geographic position

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information.

7. (Previously Presented) A method for providing information through a GPS client/server network, comprising the steps of:
receiving a connection request from a client;
generating a graphic map based upon a geographic area;
transmitting the graphic map to the client;
receiving search criteria for locating a world wide web page based upon a GPS data;
searching the world wide web in accordance with the received search criteria; and
transmitting a search result to the client,
receiving a client position information request from the client, wherein a first geographic position identifiable by the client and the search result for the search criteria is used for determining a geographic position of the client using the GPS client/server network.

8. (Original) The method according to Claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

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receiving a connection request to a web page included in the search result; and

connecting the client to the selected web page.

9. (Original) The method according to Claim 7, wherein said searching step includes searching in accordance with longitude and latitude coordinates.

10. (Original) The method according to Claim 7, wherein said search step includes searching for the web page based on geographic position information included in the web page.

11. (Original) The method according to Claim 10, wherein the web page has a name based upon the geographic position information.

12. (Original) The method according to Claim 7, wherein said search step includes searching an index including position information and web page names.

13. (Original) The method according to Claim 7, wherein the

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search result includes an icon image representing the web page.

Claim 14 (Canceled)

15. (Previously Presented) A server for providing information which is accessible through a computer network, comprising:

a controller including an interface to the computer network;

a graphical mapping system responsive to said controller

capable of generating a map of a geographic area for transmission through said interface;

a search engine configured to locate a hypertext document in the computer network in accordance with a request received through said interface, wherein said hypertext document includes a geographic position information in a metatag, wherein said geographic position information relates to a business/residence address or server location; and

an index including position information and hyperlinks, wherein said search engine is further configured to locate the hypertext document by searching said index,

wherein the request includes search criteria based upon

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geographic position.

16. (Original) The server according to Claim 15, wherein the hypertext document is a world wide web page and the computer network is the Internet.

17. (Original) The server according to Claim 15, wherein said controller is adapted to download the hypertext document located by said search engine to a client through said interface.

18. (Currently Amended) The server according to Claim 15, wherein the hypertext document includes said geographic position information.

19. (Original) The server according to Claim 18, wherein the hypertext document has a name based upon the geographic position information.

Claim 20 (Canceled)

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21. (Original) The server according to Claim 15, further comprising a coordinate database including coordinate information correlated to the map generated by said graphical mapping system.

22. (Original) The server according to Claim 21, wherein the coordinate information includes latitude and longitude coordinates.

23. (Original) The server according to Claim 22, wherein the coordinate information is updated using a Global Positioning System.

24. (Original) The server according to Claim 15, wherein said controller is further configured to provide reverse-position information for determining a position of a client.

Claims 25-29 (Canceled)

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the hypertext document includes the geographic position indication as background information.

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31. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~claim 25~~ claim 30,
wherein the background information is a matatag.

32. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the
geographic position indication is obtained from a GPS system.

33. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~claim 27~~ claim 32,
wherein the geographic position indication translates to a business
address, residence or server location.